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Representative Gallardo

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF ARIZONA; AMENDING ARTICLE IV, PART 2, SECTIONS 8, 9 AND 12, CONSTITUTION OF ARIZONA; RELATING TO THE LEGISLATURE.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Arizona, the
2 Senate concurring:

3 1. Article IV, part 2, section 8, Constitution of Arizona, is proposed
4 to be amended as follows if approved by the voters and on proclamation of the
5 Governor:

6 8. Organization: officers: rules of procedure:
7 appointment of committees

8 Section 8. A. Each house, when assembled, shall choose
9 its own officers, judge of the election and qualification of its
10 own members, and determine its own rules of procedure.

11 B. THE PRESIDING OFFICER OF EACH HOUSE SHALL APPOINT
12 MEMBERS TO ALL LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES BASED ON THE PROPORTIONAL
13 POLITICAL REPRESENTATION OF THE MEMBERS OF EACH HOUSE.

14 2. Article IV, part 2, section 9, Constitution of Arizona, is proposed
15 to be amended as follows if approved by the voters and on proclamation of the
16 Governor:

17 9. Quorum; compelling attendance; adjournment; open
18 meetings

19 Section 9. A. The majority of the members of each house
20 shall constitute a quorum to do business, but a smaller number
21 may meet, adjourn from day to day, and compel the attendance of
22 absent members, in such manner and under such penalties as each
23 house may prescribe. Neither house shall adjourn for more than
24 three days, nor to any place other than that in which it may be
25 sitting, without the consent of the other.

26 B. ALL MEETINGS OF A POLITICAL PARTY CAUCUS OF EACH HOUSE
27 THAT CONTAIN A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS OF THAT CAUCUS SHALL BE
28 OPEN TO THE PUBLIC EXCEPT ORGANIZATIONAL MEETINGS TO ELECT
29 OFFICERS OF THE CAUCUS AND EACH HOUSE AND MEETINGS TO DISCUSS
30 MATTERS PERMITTED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION AS PRESCRIBED BY LAW.
31 EACH CAUCUS SHALL ESTABLISH PROCEDURES FOR CONVENING AUTHORIZED
32 EXECUTIVE SESSIONS.

33 3. Article IV, part 2, section 12, Constitution of Arizona, is
34 proposed to be amended as follows if approved by the voters and on
35 proclamation of the Governor:

36 12. Procedure on bills; approval or disapproval by
37 governor

38 Section 12. A. Every bill shall be read by sections on
39 three different days, unless in case of emergency, two-thirds of
40 either house deem it expedient to dispense with this rule.

41 B. EACH BILL AND EACH AMENDMENT TO A BILL THAT PROPOSES
42 TO STRIKE EVERYTHING AFTER THE ENACTING CLAUSE AND INSERT NEW
43 MATERIAL SHALL BE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC FOR INSPECTION AT
44 LEAST TWO DAYS BEFORE BEING CONSIDERED BY A COMMITTEE.

1 C. EACH FINAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT SHALL BE
2 AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC FOR INSPECTION AT LEAST TWENTY-FOUR
3 HOURS BEFORE CONSIDERATION BY EITHER HOUSE.

4 D. ON PRESENTATION OF A REMOVAL PETITION CONTAINING THE
5 SIGNATURES OF A MAJORITY OF THE MEMBERS OF A HOUSE, A BILL SHALL
6 BE BROUGHT BEFORE THAT HOUSE FOR A ROLL CALL VOTE.

7 E. The vote on the final passage of any bill or joint
8 resolution shall be taken by ayes and nays on roll call. Every
9 measure when finally passed shall be presented to the governor
10 for ~~his~~ THE GOVERNOR'S approval or disapproval.

11 4. The Secretary of State shall submit this proposition to the voters
12 at the next general election as provided by article XXI, Constitution of
13 Arizona.